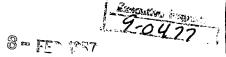
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Dear Allen:

Reference is made to your letter of 22 January 1957, in which you request that consideration be given to granting the Central Intelligence Agency a permanent quota of two students in the Armed Forces Staff College.

As you know, the Joint Chiefs of Staff do not allocate spaces on a permanent basis, since to do so would preclude the flexibility necessary to meet the changing requirements from year to year. An annual redetermination is made of the size and composition of the two classes for the succeeding year at the Armed Forces Staff College.

The Joint Chiefs of Staff have approved the composition of classes convening in August 1957 and February 1958, which includes CIA's quota of one per class. Of course, in the event of non-utilization of full quota by one of the military Services, or another civilian agency, CIA's quota would be subject to a possible increase to two spaces, as was the case in the February 1957 class.

Your request for two spaces will be considered by the Joint Chiefs of Staff when determination is made on the size and composition of future classes.

Sincerely,

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